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AMEMBASSY LISBON

C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 3990

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, EFIN, EAID, PO, IT
SUBJ: BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CONSORTIUM FOR PORTUGAL

REF: ROME 2710

1. CHARGE MET WITH PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR THOMAS ANDRESEN
AT LATTER'S REQUEST MARCH 11 TO DISCUSS DEMARCHE TO GOI
ON BALANCE OF PAYMENTS CONSORTIUM.

2. ANSRESEN SAID HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM LISBON
TO MAKE THE PORTUGUESE CASE AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL IN
ROME. ACCORDING TO HIS COMMUNICATION FROM LISBON, THE
AMERICAN EMBASSY IN ROME WOULD BE RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS
FROM WASHINGTON ON A "PARALLEL" APPROACH.

3. CHARGE REPLIED THAT THIS EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO NEW
INSTRUCTIONS, REVIEWED WHAT ACTION WE HAD TAKEN TO DATE
ON BEHALF PORTUGAL (SEE REFTEL) AND AGREED TO REPORT
CONVERSATION TO DEPARTMENT.

4. ANDRESEN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE WAS LITTLE LIKELIHOOD
OF SIGNIFICANT ITALIAN PARTICIPATION, BUT EXPRESSED
THE OPINION THAT ANY ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION WAS
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IMPORTANT AS A SYMBOL OF THE UNITY OF THE EFFORT.
HIS INTENTION IS TO BRING THE MATTER UP WITH
MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FORLANI AND OF TREASURY
STAMMATI, BUT HOPED TO HAVE "PARALLEL" DEMARCHES BY
THIS EMBASSY.

5. COMMENT: ANDRESEN'S ASSUMPTION THAT ITALY WILL

NOT BE ABLE TO ANTE IN ANY SUBSTANTIAL WAY IS CERTAINLY
CORRECT. AT THE SAME TIME WE AGREE THAT THE FACT OF
ITALIAN PARTICIPATION, EVEN IF LARGELY SYMBOLIC, IS AN
IMPORTANT FACTOR IN DEMONSTRATING THE UNITY AMONG THE
FRIENDS OF PORTUGUESE DEMOCRACY. A FURTHER DEMARCHE
BY THIS EMBASSY AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL MAY HELP MAKE
THE CONTEXTUAL POINT TO THE ITALIANS. WE WOULD
APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE.BEAUDRY

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